

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, FEBRUARY 1777

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A copy of the above resolution, together with the following message, was sent to the senate by Messrs. Hall and Beall.

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, February 6, 1777.

May it please your honours,
WE have agreed to the resolve herewith sent relative to the intercourse between the senate and the house of delegates during the session; and have fixed our hours of sitting to do business from nine o'clock in the morning till one in the afternoon, and from three till five.

By order,
The house adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

G. DUVALL, cl. ho. del.

F R I D A Y, February 7, 1777.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Mitchell. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. John Gibson, a delegate returned for Talbot county, appeared in the house, and after having qualified agreeable to the constitution and form of government, in the presence of Mr. Speaker and the other members, he took his seat. On motion, the question was put, That the appointment of committees be by ballot? Resolved in the affirmative.

A F F I R M A T I V E.

Messrs. Read, Lethbrury, Perkins, Yeates, Semmes,	Turner, M'Pherson, Horsey, Stone, Henry,	R. Bond, Gilpin, Ewing, Bowis,	Sprigg, Gibson, Benson, Bruff,	Wright, Sheredine, Mason, Chafe,	Beall, Schnebely, Crabb, Burgefs.
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N E G A T I V E.

Messrs. Maxwell, Tillard, Hammond,	Hall, Galloway, Mackall,	Deye, Stevenson, Shepherd,	Veazy, Banning,	Chaille, Downes,	Douglass, Smith.
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Mr. John Johnson, and Mr. Nicholas Harwood, were appointed assistant clerks. ORDERED, That they be qualified.

On motion, RESOLVED, That a committee of elections and privileges be appointed to inspect and examine the returns of elections, and report whether they have been made agreeable to the mode prescribed by the constitution and form of government; and Mr. Hall, Mr. Chafe, Mr. Lethbrury, Mr. Henry, and Mr. Beall, were elected a committee for that purpose.

Mr. Magruder appeared in the house.

On motion, RESOLVED, That a committee of five persons be appointed to examine and adjust all claims against this state; that they inspect and examine the books of account of the board of accounts, and that they call on the council of safety for an account of the disposition and loan of all public monies, and on all committees of observation, and other person or persons that have had monies issued to them by order of convention or council of safety, for an account of the disposition and expenditure thereof; that they call on all committees of observation to render an account of all fines imposed on non-enrollers, and on all collectors of fines appointed by committees of observation, for an account of the sums of money by them respectively received; and particularly that they examine the account against the continental congress, and against the agents in foreign parts, and that they have power to send for persons, papers and records.

The persons chosen are Mr. Smith, Mr. Sheredine, Mr. Bruff, Mr. Yeates, and Mr. Turner.

A letter from the honourable the President of congress, enclosing several resolutions from that respectable body, together with a memorial from the inhabitants of Somerset and Worcester counties, accompanied by several depositions relative to an insurrection in those counties, was laid before the house, and read. ORDERED, That the same be taken into consideration in the afternoon.

Adjourned till half after 2 o'clock.

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

The house met.

George Plater, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message:

By the S E N A T E, February 7, 1777.

Gentlemen,

WE agree to the mode of intercourse between the two houses, pointed out in your message of yesterday by Messieurs Hall and Beall.

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